

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
Before the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences

In re Patent Application of

Atty Dkt. 249-230

MURAKAMI et al.

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Group Art Unit: 1771

Serial No. 09/482,731

Examiner: H. Vo

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Date: August 5, 2003

Title: SOUND ABSORBING STRUCTURE

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rejecting claims 1-4, 6-15, 17-21, 23- (\$ 320.00 ) \$ 320.00  
27, 29-33, 36-40, 43  
and 49-51

☐ An appeal **BRIEF** is attached in triplicate in the pending appeal of the  
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☐ A reply brief is attached in triplicate under Rule 193(b) (no fee)

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paper and attachment(s) (\$110.00/1 month; \$410.00/2 months; \$930.00/3 months; \$1450.00/4 months) \$ 930.00  
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